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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below-named inventors, we hereby declare that our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "**APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FORMING MATERIALS**," the specification of which was filed September 19, 2005 as U.S. Patent Application No. 10/549,779.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the patentability and examination of the present application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 (a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 and §365, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)	Priority Claimed		
<u>GB0306557.0</u> (Number)	<u>United Kingdom</u> (Country)	<u>3/21/2003</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
<u>PCT/EP04/002922</u> (Number)	<u>PCT</u> (Country)	<u>3/19/2004</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no

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to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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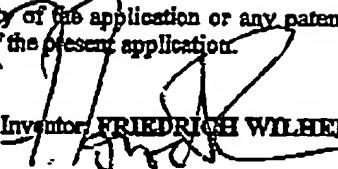
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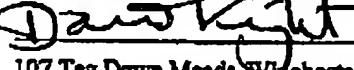
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